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Surprise Petition to Put Ike's Name on Ballot

By NORMAN ABELSON

CONCORD, N. H. (AP) — The deputy secretary of state was expected to decide today whether there are enough valid signatures on surprise petitions to enter President Eisenhower's name in New Hampshire's March 13 presidential preference primary.

Harry E. Jackson told newsmen he will make his ruling after completing a check of papers filed unexpectedly last night by Maurice J. Grant, a Manchester automobile dealer.

Grant's action jolted the state's organized Eisenhower forces who plan to file similar papers of their own Monday.

Jackson said Grant's petitions carried the signatures of 70 persons from the state's second congressional district and 54 from the first.

But, he added, "there appeared to be five cases in the first district papers in which a husband had signed his own name and that of his wife, or vice versa."

Jackson said he discovered "three definite duplications" in telephone checks last night, but was unable to complete his investigation by telephone and closed his office at 10:30 p. m., EST.

Grant, who expressed surprise that the validity of the signatures was challenged and offered to file "thousands more if necessary," issued this brief statement:

"As one of many New Hampshire Republicans, I am interested in learning if our President, Dwight D. Eisenhower, is to seek re-nomination.
"If his name is on the New Hampshire ballot, all of us who have signed these petitions will work our hardest to see New Hampshire give President Eisenhower a tremendous vote of confidence March 13."

Gov. Lane Dwinell, leader of the organized Eisenhower forces, told a newsman he plans to carry out his previously announced intention of filing Eisenhower's name at 9:30 a. m., EST, Monday.

Annual School Elections to Be March 17

The annual school election will be held by the qualified electors of the various school districts of Hempstead County on Saturday, March 17, between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 6:30 p. m. The electors will vote a millage to be levied for building, debt service and general fund for the operation of schools of their districts. A district must vote at least 18 mills to qualify for state aid.

Districts electing board members are as follows: Hope School District No. 1-A elects two directors, one for Post No. 1 and one for Post No. 2, each to serve for three years. Spring Hill School District No. 10 elects two directors, one for Post No. 1 for five years and one for Post No. 2 for three years. Elvins School District No. 2, Hempstead County School District No. 3, Patmos School District No. 9, Saratoga School District No. 11, Washington School District No. 12 and Guernsey School District No. 20 elect one director each for a period of five years.

The polling places in these districts will be the same as heretofore designated.

Two members are to be elected on the County Board of Education, one from the County at Large for a period of five years, and one from Zone No. 3 for a period of two years.

All vacancies of school boards or county board members filled by appointment since the last annual school election must be elected by popular vote in this election to complete the unexpired term of the one making the vacancy.

The 1937-38 proposed school budget of each district together with tax rate must be made public on or before January 17, 1936.

All districts must publish a legal notice of election once a week for three consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least 20 days before the election.

To place a name on the ballot for school director a petition must be signed by at least 20 electors of that school district designating the post for which he is running and the petition must be filed with the secretary of the County Board of Election Commissioners at least 20 days prior to the school election. For a name to be placed on the ballot for a position on the County Board a petition must be signed by at least 50 qualified electors at least 20 days before the election. The final date for filing these petitions is February 25.

The election officials to conduct the annual school election will be selected by the County Board of Election Commissioners, it was announced by E. H. Brown, Supervisor.



FROM V.P. TO SKY WATCHER—John Nance Garner, former vice president of the United States, has become a member of the Air Force Ground Observers' Corps. He's shown above in his Uvalde, Tex., home listening as M/Sgt. Jack P. Russell explains the job. Russell is stationed at the San Antonio Air Defense Filter center.

No Clemency for Police Slayer

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The State Pardon and Parole Board today refused to recommend clemency for Hurbie Franklin Fairris, 22, Dallas, sentenced to be electrocuted Wednesday for the slaying of an Oklahoma City detective.

Gov. Raymond Caryl had previously announced he would not override the board's decision.

Says Airways Becoming Inadequate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The airways are becoming so crowded and are so inadequately regulated, a special government advisory group said today, that airlines have brushes with death on an average of four times daily.

"Ever more dangerous conditions in then air can be anticipated... unless some urgent action... is taken to provide full-time high-level leadership to the problem of bringing our aviation facilities in line with air traffic growth and the process being made in aircraft development," the study group said.

The eight-man committee was headed by William Barclay Harding, New York investment banker who is a private flyer. Its report was made to Rowland Hughes, director of the budget, who appointed the committee last year to advise him on the long-range aviation outlook.

The "urgent action" which the committee recommended is the immediate appointment of a prominent person to head a complete review of all aviation problems and to draw up a master 20-year plan for integrated development of aviation facilities.

Youth Dies for Girl's Murder

OSSINING, N.Y. (AP) — William Byers, 19, died in the electric chair at Sing Sing Prison last night for the murder of his girl friend's mother.

He was chewing gum and displayed no emotion when he walked into the death chamber.

The girl, Theresa Gresh, who was 15 at the time of the murder in March 1934, is serving a sentence of 20 years to life in prison, the maximum for second-degree murder.

She was convicted of helping kill her mother Mrs. Anna Gresh, 43. Mrs. Gresh was hanged and knifed to death in her Manhattan tenement after she caught Byers in bed with her daughter. Her body was stuffed into a tub in the apartment and covered with plaster.

For weeks the young couple entertained friends at drinking parties in the apartment while the mother's body lay hidden in the tub.

Publishers Meet for 84th Time

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — About 200 Arkansas newspaper publishers met here today for the 84th annual mid-winter convention of the Arkansas Press Association.

E. C. Deane, editor of the editorial page of the Arkansas Gazette, addressed a luncheon meeting today.

Other speakers during the two-day convention will include J. O. Emmerich, publisher of the McComb (Miss.) Enterprise-Journal, and William P. Rock, executive director of the Arkansas Industrial Development Commission.

Kefauver Still Searching for the Nomination

By JOSEPH D. KAMI N

PORTSMOUTH, N. H. (AP) — Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn.) still searching for the Democratic presidential nomination that eluded him four years ago, returned today to the state that gave him a stunning victory over President Truman in 1952.

The tall Tennesseean began a three-day political invasion of New Hampshire in high hopes of capturing its eight votes at the Democratic national convention.

He was also not unaware of the prestige and more practical political benefits that might accompany another triumph in the nation's first presidential primary here March 13.

Kefauver's schedule included a brief stop at Hampton, near the Massachusetts - New Hampshire border, before a visit to Portsmouth, where his supporters arranged a reception.

Other stops on today's crowded automobile itinerary include Dover, Somersworth, Rochester and Nashua, where he will speak at a rally and spend the night.

Tomorrow the senator will attend Baptist Church services in Nashua, speak at a rally in Manchester, the state's largest city, and then deliver a speech to the New Hampshire Gasoline Dealers' Association in Laconia.

Acheson Urges Revitalized Foreign Plan

By RUTH COWAN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Secretary of State Dean Acheson called last night for a revitalized foreign policy, imaginatively and vigorously pursued, and cautioned against conducting foreign affairs by "hucksterism."

The "evil of hucksterism," the Truman administration secretary of state said, is that it glamorizes a product while obscuring the fact that there is no product at all.

"This is the era of the huckster," he told some 200 hearers at a dinner given in his honor by the Woman's National Democratic Club.

"If we go on as we have been doing we'll come to the ultimate slogan of 'weakness is strength,'" Acheson said it might be well for this country to reappraise its whole foreign policy in view of a Russian shift in emphasis from political to economic methods of waging the cold war, and what he called the increased attention to North America across the Middle East to India.

"We look around us," he said, "we will be hard put to find any area in which events of the past few years have not moved to our disadvantage."

"I do not mean to imply that this administration is entirely responsible. . . . Some things are their fault. . . . Some things are beyond their control."

He said U. S. relations with South America and Canada have not improved, those with Britain are formal and distant, Germany is drifting dangerously, France is torn by discord and countries in the Near East have been offended by what he termed "pactomania."

Westinghouse Plant Bids Opened

SEARCY, Ark. (AP) — Bids were to be opened here this afternoon on the industrial plant near Hot Springs which was donated to the state by the Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Westinghouse abandoned plans to use the plant after it was built, turning it over to the state. The bids were scheduled to be opened at 3 p. m., by the Arkansas Industrial Development Commission. Commission meetings are held in rotation at the home towns of members.

Injuries Fatal to Aged Woman

JONESBORO, (AP) — Mrs. Alice E. Farp, 92, of Fisher in Poinsett County died today in a Jonesboro nursing home of injuries suffered about six weeks ago in a fall at her home.

DIES IN CAR FIRE

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — A 49-year-old farmer died in his flaming automobile here yesterday after the car careened into a ditch. Pulaski County Coroner Howard A. Dishong said the body of Russell H. Dalhoff, who operated a farm near here, was burned too badly to determine the exact cause of death.

A witness, Mrs. J. R. Roberts, said the car slowly curved across the highway, rolled into a ditch and burst into flames.

Will Fight Try to Corner GOP Vote

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Bridges (R-NH) said today he will fight any attempt to "corner" New Hampshire's Republican delegation for any other candidate if President Eisenhower doesn't run again.

Bridges, chairman of the Senate GOP Policy Committee, told reporters that if persons close to the White House attempt to name a slate in the March 13 primary in his state, he may file his own name as a delegate candidate.

"I understand there is to be no slate chosen among the list of candidates for delegate, all of whom will be favorable to President Eisenhower," he said. "If any effort is made to create a slate and to corner the delegation I probably will become a candidate myself."

Conservation Needs Must Be Listed Jan. 20

According to H. B. Gilbert, Chairman of the Hempstead County ASC Committee, January 20, is the closing date of the initial sign-up period under the 1956 Agricultural Conservation Program.

All farmers in the county are urged to check their Conservation needs for 1956 and file requests for cost-sharing as soon as convenient but in no event later than Jan. 20.

After this date, the County Committee will assemble all requests filed during the period and determine amounts of cost-sharing on an individual farm basis.

It is hoped that every farmer in the county will take every advantage of this opportunity to request his share of the funds allocated to Hempstead County for conservation work during 1956. Mr. Gilbert pointed out that a better job of allocating funds to individual farmers can be done if all farmers would file their requests during the "sign-up" period.

However the Chairman stated that failure to file during the initial "sign-up" period would in no way prevent producers from filing later. In fact, farmers may file requests any time during the year that they choose.

Listed below are conservation practices which may be completed prior to August 15:

1. Initial establishment of a permanent vegetation cover for soil protection or as a needed land use adjustment.
2. Establishment of additional acreages of vegetative cover in crop rotation to retard erosion and to improve soil structure or watershed holding capacity.
3. Initial treatment of farmland by liming to permit the use of legumes and grasses for soil improvement and protection.
4. Initial establishment of stand of trees on farmland for erosion control, watershed protection, or forestry purposes.
5. Initial improvement of an established permanent vegetative cover for soil or watershed protection where complete seedbed preparation and reseeding are not required.
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7. Constructing or enlarging ponds for livestock water as a means of protecting established vegetative cover.
8. Initial improvement of a stand of forest trees for erosion control, watershed protection, or forestry purposes.
9. Initial establishment of permanent sod waterways to dispose of excess water without causing erosion.
10. Constructing terraces to detain or control the flow of water and check soil erosion.
11. Constructing diversion terraces to intercept runoff and divert excess water to protected outlets.
12. Constructing pipe drops for the protection of outlets and water channels that dispose of excess water.
13. Constructing or enlarging permanent open drainage systems to dispose of excess water.
14. Spreading spoil banks for the effective utilization of a drainage system.
15. Constructing a system of V-type field drains to dispose of excess water.
16. Constructing of enlarging dams for irrigation water.
17. Establishment of additional acreages of vegetative cover for summer protection from erosion.
18. Establishment of a vegetative cover to protect cropland throughout the 1956 crop year.

FOUND DEAD

EL DORADO, (AP) — Ward Tinner, about 60, of nearby Norphlet was found dead in his burned home early today.

Coroner T. E. Barton said Tinner, a Negro, was subject to seizures and may have overturned a wood-burning stove when he had an attack. Tinner lived alone.



ATOMIC CLAW—Nancy Shortreed of Cleveland, Ohio, tests her skill with a "through-wall" mechanical hand for handling radioactive substances. Visitors to the International Atomic Exposition in Cleveland had fun with the "hand," trying to place rings on pegs and various objects. It was developed by General Electric.

Companies Defend Tire Sales Plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Major tire and gasoline firms defended as legal and proper today agreements to push sales of the tire manufacturers' products at the oil companies' filling stations.

The Federal Trade Commission issued charges yesterday that three such agreements involving six firms were illegal. It set hearings for the companies 30 days to file answers.

The agreements, it said, involved the B. F. Goodrich Co. and the Texas Co.; Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. and the Atlantic Refining Co.; and Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. and Shell Oil Co.

It said the arrangements "foreclosed a large and substantial amount of business" to other makers of tires, batteries and other accessories at filling stations controlled by the oil companies.

Robbery Was Planned Well in Advance

BOSTON (AP) — Joseph J. "Specs" O'Keefe, 47, key to the FBI's breaking of the Brink's \$1,218,111 robbery of six years ago, went before a grand jury today after being quoted as saying the fabulous robbery had been planned a year and a half.

One of 11 men named by the FBI yesterday as participants in the biggest cash haul in the nation's history, O'Keefe has been described as the leak in the case. Authorities who refused to be named said he decided to talk because he didn't get his share of the loot.

The Boston Traveler quoted O'Keefe from unidentified sources — as saying that prior to the holdup the gang entered the plant night after night through a garage after everyone but the watchman had left.

The gang removed locks from "every door in the joint," the account continues.

The locks were taken to a key-maker. A key was fashioned and the locks returned in a matter of minutes.

On the occasion, O'Keefe was quoted as saying, several of the men in the trucks would be assigned when the coast was clear for the return of the loot, O'Keefe said Joe McGinnis, one of those arrested was not in one the actual holdup.

"We met him later," he said. "Seven of us, including myself, did the actual job inside," he continued. "One man was outside in a Ford, and two others were in the truck that was used."

Sanity Test for Killer of 43

By FRANK PITMAN

DENVER (AP) — A jury trial is set to start March 5 to determine if John Gilbert Graham was sane last Nov. 1 when he is accused of dynamiting an airliner that killed his mother and 43 others to death.

Trial on the sanity issue was requested by court-appointed defense attorneys who rejected the findings of four psychiatrists that the 25-year-old defendant was sane. In effect, the doctors found Graham knew right from wrong and could refrain from doing wrong.

The defense had its choice of having a separate trial on the sanity issue or including it in a trial to determine Graham's guilt or innocence to charges of murdering his mother Mrs. Daisy E. King, 35.

Insured Farm Loans More Attractive

W. M. Sparks, Supervisor for the Farmers Home Administration in Hempstead County, has been advised that the period private lenders hold insured farm loans before the Government will purchase the note is being reduced from 10 to 5 years. The change is effective on all insured loans closed on or after January 2.

"We expect that this change will make insured loans more attractive to private lenders," said R. B. McLeish, Administrator of USDA's Farmers Home Administration, "and thus increase the funds farmers can borrow to buy and improve their farms, carry out soil conservation practices and develop domestic and irrigation water systems."

"The change in the redemption period is a matter of contract between the Government and the lenders and does not effect the terms and condition of the loans so far as the farmers who obtain insured loans are concerned," Mr. McLeish said.

Mr. Sparks said that insured farm loans are made and serviced by the Farmers Home Administration from funds provided by private lenders. Under the repurchase agreement which accompanies each insured loan, the lender may, five years after the date of the note for each loan made on or after January 2, have the note purchased by the Government. Or the lender may hold the note and enter into a new repurchase agreement, or simply retain the note until it has been paid in full.

When the Government repurchases insured farm loans the FHA takes immediate steps to resell the notes. Until the notes are resold they are held by the Government. In any case the farmer-borrower continues to make his payments to the local county office of the Farmers Home Administration and there is no change in the interest rate or any term or condition of the loan.

The Farmers Home Administration is authorized by law to insure up to \$125,000 of farm loans each fiscal year. Congress also appropriates funds for the same type of loans. A total of \$30,500,000 was appropriated for loans being made during the fiscal year 1956. The use of private funds on an insured basis increases the credit available to farmers and lessens the needs for funds from the U. S. Treasury. Insured loans made so far this fiscal year in Arkansas (July, 1955 through December 31, 1955) total approximately \$405,000.

The loans are made repayable over periods up to 40 years when used for farm ownership and up to 20 years when used for soil and water conservation. On loans made from appropriated funds the interest rate is 4 1/2 percent. On insured loans the lender receives 3 1/2 percent on his investment and the Farmers Home Administration receives 1 percent, half of which is placed in an insurance fund and half is used to defray administrative expenses.

CAN'T FIND OWNER

SYDNEY, Australia, (UP) — Sydney police reported today they had recovered an automobile stolen 18 years ago — a 1917 Ford sedan that changed hands 12 times since the theft.

Now they can't find the kindred woman who reported it stolen in 1918.

Says Farm Prices and Income Need Bolstering

By EDWIN B. HAAKINSON

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Mundt (R-SD) said today that farm prices and income "should not be not one, but four or five shots in the arm from the new administration farm program."

He referred to complaints from some House Republicans and others that farmers suffering from low prices needed "an immediate shot in the arm" in addition to long-range benefits envisioned under the proposals of President Eisenhower and Secretary of Agriculture Benson.

But Sen. Olin D. Johnston (D-SC) expressed doubt that the various administration proposals will work without first returning to 60 per cent of parity support. "It is a plan strongly backed by many Democrats."

"The Democratic-controlled Senate Agriculture Committee will advise the program as it generally helps the farmers," Johnston predicted.

Both Johnston and Mundt are members of the committee, which now is considering the nine-point program Eisenhower proposed in a special message Monday.

Chairman Ellender (D-La.) said the committee has agreed to rush action on four points in an omnibus bill, "while leaving others for later action since they would involve expansion or revision of programs already in effect."

The ninth point, already approved by the Senate Finance Committee, was cited by Mundt as "probably the first shot." He said it would involve "a refund of \$1 million dollars of federal taxes now paid each year on gasoline used on the farms."

Missionaries Are Buried in Jungle

JORGE JURADO

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — The bodies of five U. S. missionaries, massacred by savage Indian tribesmen, they had hoped to convert to Christianity, were buried in Ecuador's jungle yesterday, near a stripped skeleton of their plane.

The search for the missing men came to a grim close when rescuers found the fifth body in the remote Curaray, River Valley.

The others had been located the past few days by air and ground searches. The bodies of the four missionaries, Grady Parrott, president of the Missionary Aviation Fellowship, announced the fate of the five who apparently were attacked just after radioing "here come a group of Aucas we have not known before."

At least one of the missionaries had been run through by a primitive lance.

The dead men were Peter Fleming, Seattle, Wash.; Nathaniel Salmi, Huntington Valley, Pa.; James Elliot, Portland, Ore.; Edward McCully, Milwaukee, Wis.; and Roger Youderian, Lansing, Mich.

Abraham Vanderby, president of the Inter-American Fellowship of Ecuador, said the missionaries' Piper plane, "Wings of Mercy," will be left at the death scene as a witness of their sacrifice. Searchers said the Indians had stripped the craft and tipped the fuselage.

The mission group had been trying to win the Aucas' friendship the past four months.

Death Claims Star of Silent Films

HOLLYWOOD, (AP) — Death has claimed Norman Kerry, 60, who was a silent film hero to such glittering stars as Lillian Gish, Pola Negri, Bebe Daniels, Mary Pickford and Constance Talmadge. He died yesterday in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital.

Kerry's wife, former actress Kay English, had undergone major surgery in a Santa Monica hospital shortly before he died. Friends said he had delayed entrance into the hospital to remain with his wife, the seriousness of his condition, although his death was unexpected by his doctors.

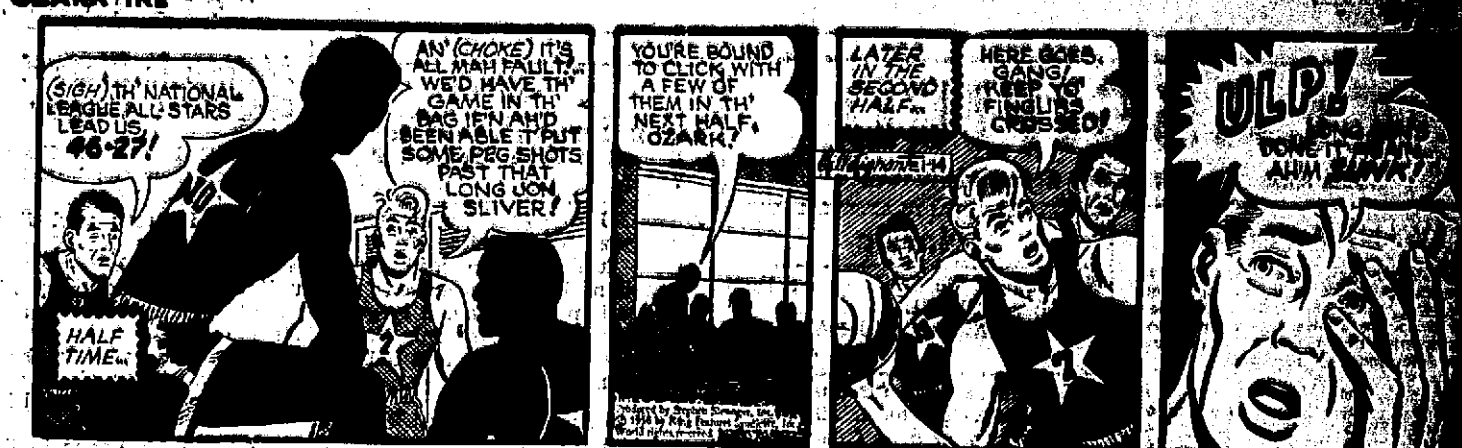


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By Chick Young



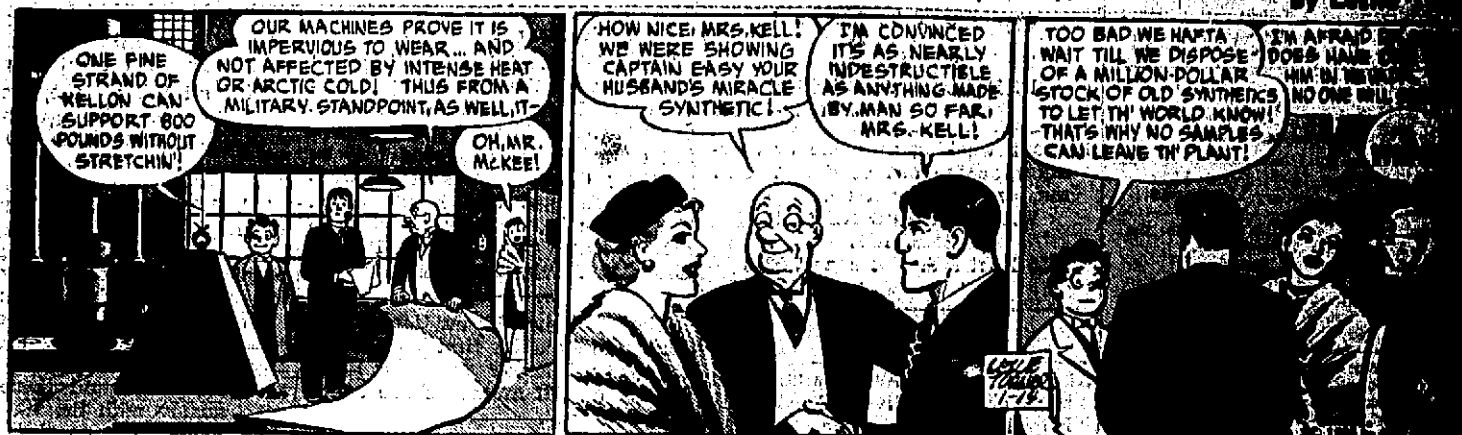
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WASH TUBBS



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



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PRISCILLA'S POP



THE STORY OF MARTHA WAYNE



President's Wife

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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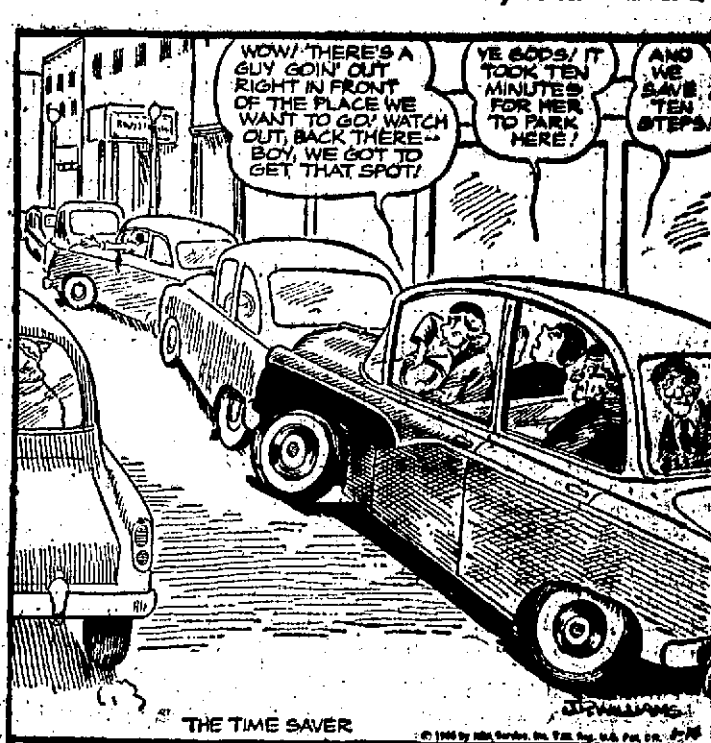
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- 5 One — Abraham, served as secretary to the president.
- 8 She — in 1819.
- 12 Sea eagle.
- 13 Native metal.
- 14 Shield bearing.
- 15 Anatomical.
- 18 Pewter coin.
- 17 Flower.
- 18 One who runs away to wed.
- 20 Cudged.
- 21 Fall flower.
- 24 Cut.
- 28 Caustic.
- 32 Individuals.
- 34 Boundary (comb. form).
- 35 Bread spread.
- 36 Indonesians of Mindanao.
- 37 Nation (ab.).
- 38 Blow with open hand.
- 39 Set free.
- 41 Chairs.
- 42 Divest.
- 44 Long cord.
- 48 Speeders.
- 53 Jason's boat.
- 54 Age.
- 56 Iroquoian Indian.
- 57 Former.
- 58 Russian ruler.
- 59 Portal.
- 60 Wheys of milk.

DOWN

- 1 At this place.
- 2 Soviet city.
- 3 Within (comb. form).
- 4 Percolate slowly.
- 5 Flies aloft.
- 6 Worthless bit.
- 7 Seine.
- 8 Feminine appellation.
- 9 Press.
- 10 Otherwise.
- 11 Act.
- 19 Auricle.
- 20 Blood money.
- 22 More succinct.
- 23 Silkworm.
- 24 Float in air.
- 25 Grafted (her.).
- 26 Calf meat.
- 27 Essential being.
- 29 Medicinal quantity.
- 30 Girl's name.
- 31 Tidy.
- 32 Spinning toys.
- 34 Eject.
- 35 Conclusion.
- 36 Fish eggs.
- 43 Angry.
- 44 Pillars.
- 45 Gaelic.
- 46 Seaweed.
- 47 Rail bird.
- 48 Surrender.
- 50 God of love.
- 51 Tumult.
- 52 Withered.
- 54 Conclusion.
- 55 Fish eggs.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



OUR BOARDING HOUSE

With Major Hoople



PINNY BUSINESS

By Hershberg



SWEETIE PIE

By Nadine Sokol



CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



SIDE GLANCES

By Gelbwith



